



**MINUTES OF THE REGULAR BOARD OF ALDERMEN MEETING
OF MONDAY, MARCH 5, 2018
AT 200 HIGHLANDS BOULEVARD DRIVE**

1. CALL TO ORDER

Mayor David L. Willson called the Regular Board of Aldermen meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.

2. ROLL CALL AND STATEMENT OF QUORUM

Roll call showed those present were Alderman Clement, Alderman Nolte, Alderman Hamill, Alderman Ottenad, Alderman Baumann, Alderman Diehl, Mayor Willson and Attorney Gunn. A quorum was present.

3. APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES

- a. Minutes of the Tuesday, February 20, 2018 Public Hearing regarding a Special Use Permit Request for a restaurant serving alcohol at 14234 Manchester Road

Alderman Clement made the motion to approve the Minutes of the Tuesday, February 20, 2018 Public Hearing regarding a Special Use Permit Request for a restaurant serving alcohol at 14234 Manchester Road. The motion was seconded by Alderman Hamill and carried unanimously, without objection.

- b. Minutes of the Tuesday, February 20, 2018 Regular Board of Alderman meeting

Alderman Clement made the motion to approve the Minutes of the Tuesday, February 20, 2018 Regular Board of Alderman meeting. The motion was seconded by Alderman Ottenad and carried unanimously, without objection.

4. ESTABLISHMENT OF ORDER OF ITEMS ON THE AGENDA

Alderman Hamill made the motion to approve the Order of Items on the Agenda as submitted. The motion was seconded by Alderman Clement and carried unanimously, without objection.

5. CONSIDERATION OF PETITIONS AND COMMENTS FROM THE PUBLIC

a. Comments from the Public

Mr. Robert Lopez, 1302 Mautenne, stated he is not very happy with what he is seeing. He said he doesn't mind paying for garbage or the waste pickup, but when he saw there was a Bill for another bond issue for road work, he wonders what the Board is doing. He asked if there is not enough money coming in, or if the City is overspending.

Mr. Kyle Watral, 305 Woodland Hill Court, asked what the strategy and approach is with fiscal year 2019 relating to these expenses. He said that Parkway School District is also having a bond issue.

Mr. Ray Bahr, 696 Shallowford Drive, stated that he had received the City's newsletter, and his concern is that the City continues to raise the tax rate on a lot of different people. He said this proposal is strictly dealing with streets, and there are two ways to go about that, either real property tax, which is tax on the homes, or personal property tax, which is tax on the vehicles. He asked why this is being assessed against real property. He said there are about 7100 homes in Manchester, but there is also rental property, and those tenants do not pay real property tax. He advised that 1% of the population has no car, and 4% have five cars, so he suggested a tax based on vehicle ownership. With this bond issue proposal, the person who has the bigger place pays more money; it has nothing to do with driving on the roads. He suggested other possibilities, such as a city sticker for each of the more than 30,000 cars in Manchester, and that would be equal based on the ownership of the vehicles. Whenever there is a change of residence and occupancy permits, he suggested that the City use a part of that revenue rather than taxing the people who are paying more than their fair share. Mr. Bahr stated that equality is the big thing to him. He suggested the City find a way to get monies for the vehicles operating on the roads.

6. REPORTS FROM THE MAYOR

a. Mayoral Report

Mayor Willson reported that on February 23 there was a meeting at the Parks Building about sculptures and the selection. The City had chosen a life-size figure that is interactive; it is a bronze conductor. Since it is interactive, it will probably be placed near the parks building or the playground.

Mayor Willson reported that on February 24 he met with the Honor Flight group, which involves veterans and "guardians" going to Washington D.C. The people who are the guardians would be assisting the veterans. These people have to be very dedicated, because they are supposed to be within arm's length of the veteran at all times. He said the ages of the veterans who were at the meeting range between 72 and 90. He spoke about the "Meet and Greet Sunday" for the veterans to introduce themselves so they get to know each other before they go on the trip. He said one veteran was 88 years old, a Korean veteran, and he had just gotten married and got his wife's permission to go on the trip.

The first of the current CERT training sessions was held on February 27. He said there are 42 residents in that class, the biggest so far. They talked about what the CERT program is, and what the trained individual's role is. If there is an emergency, the CERT-trained people will probably be the first responders that many will see, and they would make phone calls, turn off gas, etc.

Mayor Willson stated on March 1, he attended the staff meeting. That evening, along with Alderman Clement, Alderman Ottenad, City Administrator Perney, he went to the Country Lane Woods subdivision meeting.

A plaque received from the Kaufman Fund for the City of Manchester sponsoring the “Trees for Veterans” event at Enterprise Bank on December 10 was shown.

7. REPORTS FROM THE CITY ADMINISTRATOR

- a. List of Paid Bills (Warrant dates of February 18 – March 3, 2018)

There were no questions.

8. REPORTS FROM COMMITTEES

- a. Planning and Zoning Commission

Alderman Clement stated that the Planning and Zoning Commission did not meet, and there is no agenda for next Monday either.

9. ACTION ON OLD BILLS

- a. BILL # 18-2323 – AN ORDINANCE APPROVING A SPECIAL USE PERMIT REQUEST FOR A RESTAURANT THAT SERVES ALCOHOL AT 14234 MANCHESTER ROAD

Alderman Hamill read for the second time Bill # 18-2323, entitled: “AN ORDINANCE CREATING A SPECIAL USE PERMIT AND GRANTING THE SAME TO SANTA FE FARM, LLC TO OPERATE A RESTAURANT WITH COCKTAIL LOUNGE SELLING LIQUOR BY THE DRINK FOR CONSUMPTION ON THE PREMISES AT 14234 MANCHESTER ROAD, AS PROVIDED FOR IN SECTION 405.240(C)(16) OF THE CODE OF ORDINANCES OF THE CITY OF MANCHESTER”, by title only.

Alderman Hamill made the motion that Bill # 18-2323 become Ordinance # 18-2207. The motion was seconded by Alderman Clement.

A poll of the Board showed:

Alderman Baumann– aye
Alderman Ottenad – aye
Alderman Clement – aye
Alderman Nolte – aye
Alderman Hamill – aye
Alderman Diehl – aye

Mayor Willson announced the Bill passed 6 – 0, with no objections.

10. INTRODUCTION OF NEW BILLS

- a. RESOLUTION CONTRACTING FOR PAINTING OF POOLS AND SLIDE SUPPORTS

Alderman Nolte read Proposed Resolution # 18-0622, entitled: "A RESOLUTION ACCEPTING THE BID OF ALL AMERICAN PAINTING, LLC, IN AN AMOUNT NOT TO EXCEED NINETY-FIVE THOUSAND FIVE HUNDRED EIGHTEEN DOLLARS (\$95,518.00) FOR ALL LABOR AND MATERIALS FOR SANDBLASTING, CAULKING AND PAINTING OF THE POOLS, THE POLE STANDARDS AND SLIDE STRUCTURES IN THE MANCHESTER AQUATIC CENTER AND AUTHORIZING THE CITY ADMINISTRATOR OF THE CITY OF MANCHESTER TO ENTER INTO A CONTRACT THEREFOR", by title only.

Alderman Ottenad asked if in 2006 and 2012 there was an alternate for the slide structures and pole standards.

Director of Parks, Recreation and Arts Eileen Collins answered that the options those two years were different.

Alderman Ottenad asked what the amount was that was paid in 2012.

Director Collins responded that it was maybe closer to \$90,000, but she is not sure without checking.

Alderman Ottenad stated that this is a good bid, but the only thing that bothers her is that they have \$30,000 still out there. She said she knows why Director Collins did it, and she sees the other total bids, but that is a big chunk of money for a pet project.

Director Collins responded that there was \$95,000 budgeted. She explained that they do not pick that number off the top of their heads; they get professionals to come and to give them an estimate, not a formal bid, just so the amount can be used for budgeting purposes for the following year. She stated that the amount of \$95,000 was given, so that is why she put that amount in the 2018 budget.

Alderman Ottenad stated that is not what she is talking about. She is talking about the \$95,000 plus another \$30,000 for the standard and the structures. The bid they have is a total of \$95,000 so they have \$30,000 out there. She said she is not complaining because a bid is under budget, she is complaining that there is \$30,000 out there which is good for a pet project. It is just out there and it is not going to stay in the general fund which would be nice, but it won't because it was put in the budget for the Parks department.

Director Collins said it is Parks and Stormwater. She said that when they requested the preliminary bids that is the bid they got just for the pool painting, and that was the \$95,000. Another estimate given was in the amount of \$30,000 for the pole standards and slide structures. The idea was to put that as add alternate. Director Collins said she was pleased that the bid from All American came in under the amount anticipated when the budget was approved, but the other two bids were higher.

Alderman Ottenad stated that the \$30,000 is still out there.

Director Collins responded that if they don't need it, they don't spend it.

Alderman Ottenad stated that somehow it does get spent on other projects.

Alderman Nolte made the motion for approval of Resolution # 18-0622. The motion was seconded by Alderman Hamill and carried unanimously, without objection.

b. **BILL CONTRACTING WITH ST. LOUIS COUNTY FOR PARTICIPATION IN THE NEXT GENERATION 9-1-1 SYSTEM**

Alderman Baumann introduced Bill # 18-2324, entitled: “AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING THE CITY ADMINISTRATOR OF THE CITY OF MANCHESTER TO ENTER INTO A CONTRACT WITH ST. LOUIS COUNTY, MISSOURI, TO PROVIDE FOR THE CITY’S PARTICIPATION IN THE COUNTY-WIDE NEXT GENERATION 9-1-1 SYSTEM”, by title only.

Alderman Baumann stated that Emergency Legislation had been requested. He made a motion for approval of Emergency Legislation. The motion was seconded by Alderman Clement and carried unanimously, without objection.

Alderman Baumann read for the second time Bill # 18-2324, entitled: “AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING THE CITY ADMINISTRATOR OF THE CITY OF MANCHESTER TO ENTER INTO A CONTRACT WITH ST. LOUIS COUNTY, MISSOURI, TO PROVIDE FOR THE CITY’S PARTICIPATION IN THE COUNTY-WIDE NEXT GENERATION 9-1-1 SYSTEM”, by title only.

Alderman Baumann made a motion that Bill # 18-2324 become Ordinance # 18-2208. The motion was seconded by Alderman Clement.

A poll of the Board showed:

- Alderman Ottenad – aye
- Alderman Clement – aye
- Alderman Nolte – aye
- Alderman Hamill – aye
- Alderman Diehl – aye
- Alderman Baumann – aye

Mayor Willson announced the Bill passed with a vote of 6 – 0, with no objections from the Board.

c. **BILL ESTABLISHING A NEW MEANS OF CALCULATING COMPENSATION FOR ELECTED OFFICIALS**

Alderman Diehl introduced Bill # 18-2325, entitled: “AN ORDINANCE REPEALING ORDINANCE NO. 09-1928 AND ESTABLISHING A NEW MEANS OF CALCULATING COMPENSATION FOR ELECTED OFFICIALS OF THE CITY OF MANCHESTER”, by title only.

No further action at this time.

11. MISCELLANEOUS

a. Comments from the Public

Mr. Chris Winters, 510 Cardinal Lane, stated that in regard to the bond issue, he is probably also being penalized because he has one of the larger homes, and a narrow asphalt street. He said that bond issues cost residents \$2.5 million dollars in interest. He would rather pay the tax and no interest.

Mr. Winters then stated that he wanted to make sure the Board is not giving themselves a raise with the Bill that Alderman Diehl had previously read.

Mr. John Schrader, 804 Windingpath Lane, thanked the Board of Aldermen for having Proposition S on the ballot. He said that his subdivision has 240 houses with 2,500 vehicles a day going through it. He said he doesn't want to pay interest on a bond issue, but having been on the Board before, he wanted to thank the Board for looking into this and trying to get the roads up to par.

Mr. Kyle Watral, 305 Woodland Hill Court, asked if this Proposition is based on the new federal tax code about expenditures.

Mr. Robert Lopez, 1302 Mautenne, asked if the painting of the pool and the pool structures will be completed before the pool opens.

Director Collins responded saying that work will be done before the pool opens for the season.

12. EXECUTIVE SESSION:

Closed Session: Pursuant to Section 610.021 (2) of the Revised Statutes of the State of Missouri pertaining to the leasing, purchase or sale of real estate by a public governmental body where public knowledge of the transaction might adversely affect the legal consideration therefore.

Alderman Hamill made the motion to go into Closed Session: Pursuant to Section 610.021 (2) of the Revised Statutes of the State of Missouri pertaining to the leasing, purchase or sale of real estate by a public governmental body where public knowledge of the transaction might adversely affect the legal consideration therefore. The motion was seconded by Alderman Clement.

A poll of the Board showed:

Alderman Clement – aye
Alderman Nolte – aye
Alderman Hamill – aye
Alderman Diehl – aye
Alderman Baumann – aye
Alderman Ottenad – aye

Mayor Willson announced the vote passed 6 – 0, with no objections from the Board.

13. ADJOURNMENT

At 7:43 p.m., after the Executive Session, there being no further business, Alderman Hamill made the motion to adjourn. The motion was seconded by Alderman Clement and carried unanimously, without objection. The meeting adjourned at 7:43 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Ruth E. Baker, MMC/MPCC
City Clerk

***Note:** This is a journal of the Board of Aldermen meeting of March 5, 2018 (summary); not a verbatim transcript. If a recording of the meeting is desired, please contact City Hall.*